




**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** District Superintendents  
School Business Officials  
Deputy Superintendents  
Directors

**FROM:** A. Len Richardson, Director  
Office of Finance 

**DATE:** November 18, 2008

**RE:** State and EIA Grant Awards

The following applies to all state and EIA grant awards that were issued **prior** to November 1, 2008:

State General Fund Grants – The original 10 percent sequester may be enough to absorb budget cuts for FY09. However, in anticipation of future budget cuts, the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) will sequester an additional 10 percent (for a total of 20 percent) for all General Fund grants.

EIA Grants – The original 10 percent sequester has already been exceeded by cuts to the EIA budget. That 10 percent will not be restored. In anticipation of future budget cuts, the SCDE will sequester an additional 10 percent for all EIA grants.

Grant award documents and budgets will not be amended at this time. However, no more than 80 percent of the award amount will be paid until final budget estimates have been determined.

The following applies to all state and EIA grant awards that are issued **after** November 1, 2008:

State and EIA grant awards that are issued after November 1, 2008 will be issued at the reduced amount that properly reflects the current budget cuts. 10 percent of that amount will be sequestered until final budget estimates have been determined.

Should you have any questions, please contact Susan Flanagan at (803) 734-8488 or e-mail at [sflanagn@ed.sc.gov](mailto:sflanagn@ed.sc.gov).